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Mitsui Bussan Kaisha,
Hongkong, January 2, 1912.

RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK RUN.

Details are now to hand regarding the recent run on the Tientsin branch of the Russo-Asiatic Bank. The run commenced on December 6 and was continued on the following day, there being at one time a crowd of over 500 Chinese waiting to change their notes into silver dollars. Proclamations issued by the police pointing out that Chinese business was more seriously affected than Russian business by the boycott allayed the anxiety of the natives, and deposits are now being paid in at Peking, Tientsin and Chefoo. During the boycott Chinese speculators purchased the notes at a large discount and made considerable sums.

One excuse made by the Chinese customers for their action was that there were so many forged notes of the bank in circulation that they were afraid to accept them. Very few of the better class people and merchants participated in the run.

SEASICK PIRATES.

Four desperadoes recently stole the motor yacht Dora, belonging to Mr. J. McTaggart, Adelaide, and put out to sea. The yacht was an elaborately fitted boat, equipped in luxurious style, and its disappearance caused a considerable sensation.

Later it was discovered that the thieves, one of whom was a chauffeur, had laid in a large supply of provisions, ammunition, revolvers, and guns, and intended sailing to the South Sea Islands on a marauding expedition.

They encountered bad weather, however and became so seasick that they beached the Dora at Double Island Point, where they were arrested by Government officials.

The "Hankow Daily News" reports the death, as having occurred at Hankow, on Dec. 6, of Mr. A. P. Maligun, the oldest Russian resident of Hankow. He was formerly partner in the firm of Messrs. Tokmakoff, Tokmakoff and Co., took a keen interest in the local Municipal Affairs, and was highly and generally esteemed. He passed away in his sleep, after having been ill for some time, aged 83.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

PETER'S CHOCOLATES

ON SALE AT
CAFE WEISMANN

A COMPETITION will shortly be started.

Save Your Wrappers.

The CONDITIONS of the COMPETITION will be announced later in this space.

WRAPPERS will be required as COUPONS.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF
THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO. LTD.
AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON. CANTON TO HONGKONG.

WEDNESDAY, 18th DECEMBER.

8.00 A.M. 'BEUNGSAN' 5.00 P.M. 'FATSHAN'
10.00 P.M. 'FATSHAN' 8.00 A.M. 'KINSHAN'

THURSDAY, 19th DECEMBER.

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HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. 'SUI TAI' Tons 1651. S.S. 'SUI AN' Tons 1601.

HONGKONG TO MACAO. Week days at 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf, Sunday, at 9 A.M. & 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG. Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sundays, at 7.30 A.M. and 5 P.M.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 22nd DECEMBER.

The Company's Steamship "SUI AN" will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 A.M. and return from Macao at 5 P.M.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This Steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 6 P.M.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. 'HOI-SANG' 457 Tons. Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.

Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4.30 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF
HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO. LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. 'SAINAM' 588 Tons. and S.S. 'NANNING' 563 Tons.

One of above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers 'LINTAN' and 'SANUI'. These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO. LTD.
HOTEL MANSIONS (FIFTH FLOOR),
Opposite the Blake Pier.

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ENTIRELY altered, up-to-date Hotel. Recently renovated and under entirely New Management. Large and comfortable rooms, excellent Omelets, under the supervision of an experienced French Chef.

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EXPORT.

CANTON
LARGE WHOLESALE & RETAIL

STORE:

FURNITURE, Drapery, Groceries
Bacon and Sheep
Milk and Jam, Lacquers
Crockery Ware.

Ironmongery, Wines and Spirits
Foreign Clothes for gentlemen made to order by our own tailors.

Large assortment of Chinese Silks and Foreign Goods of every description.

All goods sold at reasonable Prices.

The Cheapest and Best place in Canton & Hongkong to buy Chinese and Foreign Goods.

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and No. 130, Connaught Road Central.

Tel. No. 611.

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ESTABLISHED A.D. 1880.

IRON, STEEL, METAL and HARD-

WARE MERCHANTS. Wholesale

and Retail Importers. Pig Iron and

Furniture, Ironmongery, General Store-

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No. 36 and

37, LINTON STREET, (2nd Street, west

of Central Market) Telephone No. 518.

Hongkong, September 4, 1912.

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Hongkong, February 6, 1908.

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INTIMATIONS

G. FALCONER & CO., LTD.,
HAVE RECEIVED A LARGE SELECTION OF
FINE ENGLISH JEWELLERY

CONSISTING OF
DIAMOND RINGS, BROOCHES, PENDANTS,
BRACELETS, GOLD EXPANSO
WATCH BRACELETS, etc., etc.

ENGLISH SILVERWARE.

HOTEL MANSIONS: OPPOSITE GENERAL POST OFFICE.

WING KEE & CO.,

Nos. 47, 48 and 49, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, PROVISION MERCHANTS, COAL
MERCHANTS, &c., &c., OF FIFTY YEARS STANDING
SHIP CAPTAINS ARE REQUESTED TO GIVE US A TRIAL
FRANCISCO TSE YAT, General Manager,

Hongkong, August 12, 1912.

MEE CHEUNG
ART PHOTOGRAPHER
ICE HOUSE STREET,
BRANCH OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

Fashionable Xmas and New Year Cards.
LATEST SELECT VIEWS OF HONGKONG AND CANTON.

WE solicit your kind patronage of our leading blends of

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ONLY the very best kept at prices that astonish our rivals.

A trial will convince you, that THE HOUSE that supplies your needs is the

WING ON CO..

TELEPHONE 189.
Hongkong, August 15, 1912.

THE KWONG HIP LUNG CO., LTD.
(NOW RECONSTRUCTED).

ENGINEERS and SHIPBUILDERS, BOILER-MAKERS, BRASS and IRON
FOUNDERS. All work done in this establishment is guaranteed. We have
over thirty years' experience. We own two shipways and can accommodate any craft
of 200 feet long.

Town Office, 48, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong. Telephone No. 4.
Shipyards, Sham-Sui-Po, Kowloon, Hongkong. Telephone No. K.9.
Estimates furnished on application.

WONG PING WA, Manager.
Hongkong, April 1, 1912.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT

1st NOVEMBER.

SAN KWOK MAN & CO.
HIGH CLASS TAILORS, DRAPERS AND OUTFITTERS.

DEALERS IN CHINESE-MADE FANCY GOODS, EMBROIDERY
CHINA-WARE, ETC.

IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS.

ALL GOODS AT FIXED PRICES.

Nos. 136 & 138, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Telephone No. 1311.

Hongkong, October 28, 1912.

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(MITSUBISHI CO.)

COAL DEPARTMENT.

SOLE-PROPRIETORS OF TAKA-SIMA, OCHI, MUTABE, YO-SHINOTANI, KISHIDAKE, HOJO, KANADA, NAMAZU, SAYO, SHINNEW AND KAMIYAMADA Collieries.

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TEL. ADDRESS for above: IWASAKI.
Code: A1, ABO 5th Ed., Western Union.

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YOKOHAMA: M. Asada, Esq.

CHINKIANG: Messrs Gearing & Co.

MANILA: Messrs Macondray & Co.

SINGAPORE: Messrs Borneo Co. Ltd.

For particulars, apply to

Y. SHIBUYA,
Manager,

No. 2, FABER STREET,

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A Very Smart Assortment of

EVENING GOWNS, TUNICS,

AFTERNOON FROCKS

and

MILLINERY.

Prices Very Moderate.

INSPECTION INVITED.

M. Gains,

Prince's Building,

Hongkong, December 14, 1912.

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H. MATSUNAGA.

IS DISPLAYING A LARGE

ASSORTMENT OF

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS

PRESENTS.

All kinds of CURIOS and TOYS at

exceptionally Low Prices.

Inspection invited at

49, HAIPHONG ROAD,

KOWLOON.

December 12, 1912.

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NOTICE.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

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CHINA NAVIGATION C., LTD.

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WING to the expense incurred and the

inconvenience caused to the Com-

panies in collecting freight for small

amounts, weight below \$200 on all shipments

from Hongkong, Canton and Macao, unless

shipped by regular constituents, must be

paid at time of shipment or on delivery.

Receipts for freight will be granted by the

purser.

W. E. CLARKE,

Secretary,

H. K. C. & M. STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, November 1, 1912.

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CO.

GERMAN SAUSAGES.

We have secured the services of an

expert German Sausage Maker and are

now able to supply our patrons and the

public with DELICIOUS, WHOLE-

SOME & CLEAN GERMAN SAU-

SAGES made on our own premises.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LTD.

Hongkong, November 12, 1912.

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Graduated in America at the Moller

System of Colleges.

GIVE US A TRIAL.

THE BEST BARBER IN TOWN.

WITH

The American New Style Chair.

Hongkong, August 19, 1912.

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COUGHING INTO CONSUMPTION

"Only a Cough" but you stop

it while it is ONLY a cough.

It is a cough that is

not a cough. Very palatable.

OF ALL CHEMISTS.

WATERBURY'S

METABOLIZED

COD LIVER OIL

COMPOUND

The finest preparation made

for combating severe coughs.

CURES any cough that is

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AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

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Shares, Coal and
General Brokers.

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"TO-KWA-WAN"
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
on

WEDNESDAY,

the 18th December, 1912, commencing at
2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vœux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.—

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,

As follows:—

Dining and Drawing Room Suites, Up-
holstered Chairs and Sofas, Carpets and
Rugs, Pictures, Oil Paintings and Engravings,
Bed Room Suites, Double and Single
Beds and Brass-mounted Bedsteads and
Cots, Bureaus, Wardrobes, &c., Teakwood
Dining Room Furniture, &c., &c., 2 Dinner
Services and Dessert Service, Crockery,
Electro-plated and Glass Ware, 1 Cooking
Stove and Kitchen Utensils, Enamelled
Ware, Cutlery, &c., Electric Lamps, Brass
Fenders, Fire Brasses, &c., and small
collection of Valuable Books;—

Also

A few pieces of Carved, Blackwood
Furniture, 3 Piano, 2 Romington Type-
writers, One 31in. Foot Lathe by The
Britannia Co., with Slide Rest, a lot of
Engineer's Tools, and 2 Self-Centring
Chucks.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view day before sale.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 13, 1912. 1564

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(for account of the concern),

on

SATURDAY and MONDAY,

the 21st and 23rd December, 1912, com-
mencing each day at 2.30 P.M., at
their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux
Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

A LARGE AND VALUABLE
ASSORTMENT OF FANCY GOODS,

AND

A LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF TOYS;

As follows:—

French Hand-painted and Terracotta
Vases, Marble and Bronze Figures, Fancy
Toilet and Smoking Sets, Fancy Bronze
Tables and Flower Stands, Fancy Electric
Portable Lamps and Statuettes, a large
assortment of Porcelain Figures and Vases,
Gramophones and Records, Pictures, Bird's
Cages, Clocks and Watches, Cash Boxes,
Heating Stoves, a large assortment of
Leather Goods, &c., &c., &c.,

AND FOLLOWING THE ABOVE: TOYS OF
EVERY DESCRIPTION.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 11, 1912. 1549

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(for account of the concern),

on

SATURDAY,

the 21st December, 1912, at 11 A.M., at
their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux
Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

THE REMAINING STOCK OF
ENGLISH JEWELLERY,
FROM LONDON.

Consisting of:—

Gold Brooches, Diamond Rings, Pins,
Gold-mounted Sticks, Hand Mirrors, Jewel
Cabinet, Silver and Plated Ware, Gold and
Silver Watches by noted London Makers,
Also

Fancy Goods and Toys this stock includes

and 18-Kt. Gold Lever Watches by Ben-
son, London.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1576

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(for account of the concern),

on

SATURDAY,

the 21st December, 1912, commencing at
2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 9, 1912. 1644

THE GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP.

Countess of Warwick Sells Part of
Her Estate.

A large portion of the Countess of
Warwick's Essex estate, consisting of
1,430 acres, has been sold for £25,000.
The property, which forms part of the
Maynard estate, near Bishop's Stort-
ford, and Dunmow, goes to her from her
family, the Maynards, whose title became
extinct with the death of the fourth Vis-
count Maynard in 1885.

Attached to the Essex estate is the
Countess's house at Easton Lodge, some
three miles from the village of Dunmow.
The building, which is approached by a
drive of a mile and a half in length,
through a well-timbered park, was origi-
nally Elizabethan, but was largely rebuilt
when the central portion was destroyed
by fire 60 years ago.

The house was first granted by Queen
Elizabeth to Sir Henry Maynard, secre-
tary to Burghley, and his portrait still
hangs in the billiard-room of Little
Easton.

Another noteworthy picture preserved
in the dining-room is Sir Joshua Rey-
nolds' painting of Nancy Parsons, the
local street tailor's daughter, who was
criticised in the letters of Junius as the
favourite of the Duke of Grafton, George
III's Premier.

It has been Lady Warwick's custom to
invite weekend parties to Easton Lodge,
and the variety of those who accepted
her invitations showed the diversity of
her interests.

On one occasion her visitors were Mr.
Harry Quelch and Mr. C. N. Shaw, of
the "Clarion" Scouts, and on another
Lord Grey de Wilton and the Countess
of Roslyn.

Many of her visitors commemorated
their visit by planting flowers in the
"garden of friendship," which Lady
Warwick preserved for the floral gifts of
her particular friends. Among these gifts
were those of the Prince of Wales in
1892, the Duchess of Teck, Princess May,
and Lord and Lady Randolph Churchill.

Another part of the garden was devoted to
a "Shakespeare Border," in which are
planted all the trees, shrubs, and flowers
mentioned by Shakespeare, while in "The
Rosary" some of the poetic effusions
which poets have written to roses are pre-
served on labels attached to each variety
of the flower.

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction
(for account of the concern),

on

FRIDAY,

the 20th December, 1912, at 11 A.M., at
their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux
Road, corner of Ice House Street,—

A CONSIGNMENT OF
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,
FROM LONDON,

Comprising:—

Billiard Balls, Billiard Cloths, Micro-
scopes, Surgical Instruments, Telescopes
Barometers, Banjos, Mandolins, Clarinets,
Cameras, Clocks, Raincoats, Gramophones
and Records, Gents' Travelling Bags,
etc., &c., &c.,

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1577

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction
(for account of the concern),

on

FRIDAY,

the 20th December, 1912, commencing at
12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vœux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,—

A CONSIGNMENT OF
INDIAN CARPETS

Various Designs, Colours and Sizes,
On view day before sale.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1578

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Also

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Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1576

FOR SALE.

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tions to sell (for account of the
concern), at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vœux Road, Corner of Ice House
Street.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1912. 1578

GEO. P. LAMMERT

AUCTIONEER.

SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

FOR SALE.

SECTION A or K. I. L. 570
Area 25,378 Square feet.

Position: Facing King's Park.

Money on Mortgages at market rates.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction
on

WEDNESDAY,

the 18th December, 1912, commencing at
12 o'clock Noon, at his SALES ROOMS,
DUDLEY STREET,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
WINES AND SPIRITS.

Comprising:—

15 cases Paul Reinaut Champagne.

39 Club Cocktails (Whisky, Man-
hattan, Gin and Vermouth).

40 John Beggs Whisky.

100 Old Tom Gin, American and
Scotch Whiskies, Rum, Hock,
etc., etc.

On View from Tuesday, the 17th Dec.,
1912.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 14, 1912. 1583

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction
on

THURSDAY,

the 19th December, 1912, commencing at
11 A.M., at his SALES ROOMS,

DUDLEY STREET,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
BOOTS, SHOES & SUIT LENGTHS.

Also

2 CASES TOYS.

On View from Wednesday, the 18th inst.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Just Unpacked

A New Consignment of the following goods from the well-known makers viz.:—

JOHN GRAY'S SCOTCH CONFECTIONERY in Bottles.
FAMED MARMALADE ..
JAMS and JELLIES ..
SOUTHWELL'S ENGLISH .. and .. in tins & ..
CONFECTIONERY in Glass.
FRY'S .. ASSORTED CHOCOLATES.
CADBURY'S .. in tins and Fancy Boxes.
ALSO
FRENCH CHOCOLATES in Packets for eating and cooking.

THE FRENCH STORE.

Hongkong, April 18, 1912.

BANKS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUND
Sterling \$1,500,000/-
Silver 17,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROFESSIONAL \$15,000,000

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS,
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Hongkong—N. J. STABB.

ACTING MANAGER:
Shanghai—A. G. STEPHEN
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of Two
per cent per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 27, 1912.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 1, 1912.

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RESERVE FUND \$1,650,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROFESSIONAL \$1,200,000

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W. M. DICKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, April 12, 1912.

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ASSORTED CASES FOR XMAS.

Case No. 1.—\$20

- 1 Bottle Sparkling Burgundy
- 3 Bottles St. Estephe Claret
- 1 Bottle Sherry, Light Dry
- 2 Bottles Port, Very Fine Old Tawny, D Quality
- 2 Bottles Gin
- 1 Bottle Hennessy's Very Old Liqueur Cognac, D Quality
- 2 Bottles Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, E Quality

Case No. 2.—\$26

- 1 Bottle St. Marceaux Champagne
- 1 Bottle Sparkling Burgundy
- 2 Bottles Claret, La Rose, D Quality
- 1 Bottle Sherry, Superior Pale Dry, D Quality
- 1 Bottle Port, Very Fine Old Tawny, D Quality
- 1 Bottle Hennessy's Very Fine Old Liqueur Cognac, D Quality
- 3 Bottles Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, E Quality
- 1 Bottle Gin
- 1 Bottle Heering's Cherry Brandy

Case No. 3.—\$30

- 5 Bottles St. Marceaux Champagne
- 1 Bottle Sherry, Superior Pale Dry, D Quality
- 2 Bottles Very Fine Old Tawny D Quality
- 1 Bottle Very Fine Old Brown Brandy, E Quality

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3 STRAND
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Oil Drilling Cables of any size up to 3,000 feet in length.

Prices, Samples and full particulars will be forwarded on application to
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Hongkong, April 11, 1912.

COMMERCIAL

COTTON AND YARN.
Messrs James F. Hutton and Co. Ltd.,

Manchester, in their weekly market report

dated Nov. 21, state:—

Liverpool Cotton.—Mid-American spot

to-day 6.92, last week 6.80. Mid-Ameri-

can current month, to-day 6.70, last

week 6.50. F.G.F. Egyptian spot, to-

day 10.2, last week 10.

New York Cotton spot—cents, yester-

day 12.40, last week 12.0.

London.—Bar Silver to-day, 29d, last

week 29.3d. Bank of Eng. Rate to-day, 5%

last week 5.

Cotton Figures from August 31st last to

last Friday, Liverpool Stock.—All kinds

Cotton, this year 740,800 bales; last

year 432,730. Liverpool Stock—American

of Cotton, this year 607,600 bales; last

year 301,210. American del'd Spinners

for the week, this year 392,000 bales; last

year 463,000. American into sight for

the week, this year 718,000 bales; last

year 614,000. American into sight for

the season, this year 6,789,000 bales; last

year 6,963,000. Receipts at American

ports, this year 4,129,000 bales; last

year 4,397,000. Visible Supply.—All kinds of

Cotton, this year 4,399,000 bales; last year

4,643,000. Visible Supply.—American

Cotton, this year 4,161,000 bales; last

year 3,472,000. Visible Supply.—Egyptian

Cotton, this year 371,000 bales; last year

241,000. Visible Supply.—East Indian

Cotton, this year 63,000 bales; last year

45,000. Visible Supply.—Other kinds of

Cotton, this year 109,000 bales; last year

75,000.

Referring to our weekly Reports of 31st

and 7th inst. in which we gave a pro-

bable estimate of the American Crop,

1.4 million bales and the World's con-

sumption of American for the present season

at the same amount, Messrs. Neill Bros.

of London, published on the 14th inst. their

annual estimate of the Crop and the year's

consumption at the same figures; the former

being a minimum.

Messrs. Neill Bros. correct the Mill of

Spinners Stock on August 31st, from

2,044,100 to 1,700,000 bales and "Visible

Supply" on same date to 1,211,000 bales,

which together made a carry-over of

2,981,000 bales at the opening of this sea-

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total supply for the year 17,481,000, against

last year 17,751,000 bales, being a decrease

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Christmas Season

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Is the man who has blood
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Chocolates in Fancy Boxes.
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THE SHIPWRECKED MARINER.

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THE YINNS

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1912.

THE TONNAGE OF SHIPS.

A RECENT "Reuter" gave the tonnage of the new Canadian Pacific steamers "Empress of Asia" and "Empress of Russia," which are to ply between here and Vancouver, as 15,000, and stated that they would be the largest steamers on the Pacific. The Pacific Mail Co.'s "Manchuria" and "Mongolia" are generally stated to be of 27,000 tons, but their tonnage is given in the shipping lists as 13,600.

Apparent discrepancies like these may create no confusion among people conversant with shipping, but to the ordinary landsman they call for some explanation. The fact is that the word "ton" has several different meanings when used in relation to shipping, "Gross tonnage" and "Registered Net Tonnage," though very different things, are both arrived at in a purely arbitrary way which was originally laid down in the Merchant Shipping Act of 1854. Gross tonnage is the internal capacity in cubic feet, divided by one hundred of all permanently enclosed spaces in a vessel whether below deck or in deck houses. The net registered tonnage is found by deducting from the gross tonnage allowances for crew space, machinery and navigating appliances. It is the gross tonnage on which graving dock charges are usually based. Canal dues and harbour dues are usually based on the net registered tonnage. The faster a steamer is, the greater proportion of its internal capacity must be taken up by machinery, and so it is that fast mail and passenger steamers show a greater proportionate difference between gross and net tonnage than ordinary passenger and cargo boats. The Cunard liner "Lucania" was of 12,600 tons gross and 4,975 tons net register, while the Nippon Yansen Kaisha "Aki Maru" with 6,444 tons gross has a net tonnage of 3,997. The arbitrary adoption of the figure 100 for dividing the capacity of a vessel leads to the apparent anomaly that a ship of 2000 tons can carry 3000 tons of cargo. A floating body, as everyone knows, displaces its own weight of water. Sea water weighs 33 cubic feet to the ton, a 2000 ton steamer will have 200,000 cubic feet capacity, but 3,000 tons of cargo will only displace 105,000 cubic feet of water, leaving an ample margin to carry the weight of the empty ship. "Tons burthen" refers to the tons of 2240 lbs required to put an empty vessel down to her load line. In the measurement of cargo the word "ton" has still another meaning, heavy materials are charged by weight by the actual weight of 2240 lbs to the ton, lighter articles are taken by measurement on the arbitrary scale of 40 cubic feet to the ton.

The displacement tonnage is however the particular variety of tonnage of most interest to the intending traveller. He wants some idea of the steadiness of his ship, and this is best measured by her bulk below the water line, this is the displacement, and is stated in terms of the actual tons weight of water displaced when the vessel is loaded down to "Plimsoll mark." The German Mail steamers running here are advertised as from 16,000 to 21,000 tons displacement. The Minnesota, the largest steamer on the Pacific, is 34,500 tons displacement, 28,000 tons capacity or burthen, 21,000 tons gross, and 13,300 tons net register. The Siberian and Korea are advertised as 18,000 ton boats, this probably means displacement, they are 11,300 tons gross and 6,600 tons net register.

The "Empress of Russia" will have a gross register tonnage of 16,000, the "Manchuria" is 13,600, the new French mail steamer Paul Lecat is 12,500. The Minnesota, with a gross register tonnage of 26,700, will thus be the only bigger boat on the Pacific.

If the Chinese do not wish to be looked upon as a foolish nation why do they persist in boycotting, for unquestionably they are very prone to indulge in it—taking a stick to smock their own backs, shooting at other nations how foolish blind prejudice can cause people to be.

A man was walking along Queen's Road West with a bundle on Sunday night when he was stopped by Inspector Dymond. In the bundle were found two single-axe blades which were afterwards identified with the property of Mr. George Wilson, a well-known jeweller and goldsmith of the city. Many other things were found in the bundle, and the man was charged with being a thief.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Hon. A. R. Adams has been appointed to act temporarily as Solicitor-General, Straits Settlements.

For removing sand from the foreshore at Tung Lung Tan a man was fined \$25 by Mr. Melbourne to-day. The case was brought by Sgt. Jackson.

The water mark at Hankow on the 6th inst. was 7 feet 11 inches; at Kukkiang on the 7th inst., 8 feet 1 inch, and at Wuhan on the 8th inst., 6 feet.

One thousand heirs of Paul Werts of Chicago, are combining in an attempt to recover a sum valued at \$35,000,000 in Germany, Holland and Austria.

The officers of the Japanese warships Aguni and Soya were the guests of the British Naval Officers of the port at dinner on board H.M.S. Minotaur last evening.

A Chinese resident of New York has just been divorced by his wife—the first case in the United States where Chinese have sought the aid of the law courts in such a matter.

An official return shows that there are 2,243 schools with gardens attached to them in England and Wales with 41,304 scholars. The amount of grant earned last year was £6,807.

Out of 1,258 members of the Royal Irish Constabulary stationed in Belfast in October last, Mr. Birrell states that 637 were Roman Catholics, 171 Presbyterians, and 444 Episcopalians.

A Chinese ex-policeman was charged by Inspector Dymond before Mr. Hazelton to-day with dealing in lottery tickets at 158 Third Street. He was fined \$150 or two months' imprisonment.

Cats of all sorts are being sold at £1 each and upwards along the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in British Columbia. The line is crowded with cars containing grain, which have attracted swarms of rats.

The two Chinese charged with being in possession of arms at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon were fined \$200 each for three months' imprisonment. Police Sergeant Ogg was commanded by Mr. Melbourne for the capture that he effected.

A new shipbuilding company is in process of formation at Canton with a capital of about \$600,000 to run a service of river boats from that port to Hongkong. The company is to be managed entirely by Chinese.

We have been asked by Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. and Messrs. William Powell, Ltd., to state that for the convenience of the public their establishments will remain open until 6 p.m. during the Christmas Season.

News has come to hand from Australia that Duncan Fraser, at one time engaged as a civil engineer in the construction of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, committed suicide by shooting at Heidelberg (near Sydney) on November 21. The distressing affair is believed to have been owing to nervous breakdown. Fraser was forty-four years of age and unmarried.

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Among Western nations it is a species of retaliation that is rarely adopted except by the lowest strata of society, and it is almost invariably promptly suppressed by the authorities. There is only one thing which seems to justify boycotting between nations and that is the fact that actual hostilities have broken out between them. Where of a purely local nature it is never justifiable, and it is the duty of the authorities to suppress it as soon as they deem such a course practicable. One invariable concomitant of boycotting is that it is as likely to inflict as much injury upon those who boycott as upon those boycotted.

For example, in the present Tramway boycott it is likely that therickshaw coolies are carrying their fares as cheaply as do the tram cars? In boycotting Russian merchandise or anything else Russian what are the Chinese doing but curtailing a market and consequently raising prices?

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THE MAIL DELAY.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Chao King-Wei, superintendent of Police at Canton, has been officially appointed to that post by order of the President.

The Chinese Government has notified all the Foreign Legations that henceforward the Minister of Finance alone is empowered to negotiate Foreign Loans.

Mr. J. Spittle last evening was the recipient of a handsome talisman subscribed for by a number of his friends of the Civil Service Club to mark the occasion of his marriage recently. The presentation was made at the club pavilion.

Sir Ian Hamilton apparently enjoyed himself greatly at the St. Andrew's ball in Fasang, for he confided to a newspaper representative that he thought the Panang ladies most charming and wonderfully agreeable. Of course he spoke from experience, for he owned up to dancing a lot himself.

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The Finance Committee of the London County Council recommend the Council to operate, by scholarships, etc., in training London boys for the mercantile marine. They suggest that 500 boys be sent to sea annually for two years' training. Thus, after the first year, there would always be one thousand boys in training. The committee propose an annual grant of £2 for each boy.

Home papers report the death of Mr. J. H. Reid Cuthbertson, in his 33rd year. He first arrived in Singapore in 1878 as a partner in Messrs. B. Jisted and Co., and from the first took a leading part in the mercantile, social and sporting life of the Colony. He retired some sixteen years ago, returning for a short visit to the F.M.S. to look after his planting interests a few years later.

It is learnt that the most urgent inquiries received in Shanghai from the Chinese Government quite recently for rifles, says the "N. C. D. News," Shanghai has, of course, all along arranged for the supply of the larger proportion of the arms required by the Government, and on the present occasion it is said that the orders which Peking is prepared to place are of the most extensive description. Judged by the urgency of the inquiries, the officials in the capital are believed to be in a state of considerable anxiety over the present situation.

THE LAUNCH TRAFFIC.

Charge of Overloading.

In the Marine Magistrate's Court to-day Lo-Kwai, master of the steam launch "Wo Hing" was summoned at the instance of P. C. Joy for carrying 12 passengers in excess of the number allowed by his licence.

The constable said that on the 12th inst., he went to the launch, which appeared to be dangerously over-loaded. He went on board and counted 128 passengers, whereas the licence allowed 114.

Defendant did not seem satisfied when witness said he would prosecute him, and wanted to go back alongside another boat. Witness counted the passengers again, and found 121. He then searched the launch and found two men hidden in the engine room, and three men in the fore peak.

In reply to Mr. Reader Harris, who appeared for the defendant, witness said the men might have been stowed away all the time, and witness might have miscounted them, but the second count was made by taking passengers into another launch, and counting them one by one as they passed.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

MORE XMAS DISPLAYS.

MESRS. A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD., MESSRS. W. M. POWELL, LTD.

As supplementary to what appeared in the "China Mail" of the 13th inst. with reference to the display of Xmas goods in the leading stores in Hongkong, we should like to call special attention to the special advertisements of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Wm. Powell & Co., Ltd., which appear on page 6 of this issue.

Of both these excellent business houses it is well-known that in their particular branches of trade they carry large and varied stocks, suitable for all tastes and all purases, fresh and fine in every respect. At present their festive appearance makes a visit to them particularly attractive, and all are welcome whether purchasers of mere admiring.

At Messrs. Moutrie's, Ltd., there are many articles which will be found suitable as Xmas and New Year gifts. A piano or organ would be very acceptable to many a daughter, and a badminton racket or a drum to many a boy. Both adults and juveniles of both sexes would find infinite delight in a gramophone, which of course would be all the more acceptable if a few good and varied records went along with the gift. We saw some fine Victoria at prices ranging from \$10 to \$25. We note also that Messrs. Moutrie are offering a competition of some special interest.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA.

A man was walking along Queen's Road West with a bundle on Sunday night when he was stopped by Inspector Dymond. In the bundle were found two single-axe blades which were afterwards identified with the property of Mr. George Wilson, a well-known jeweller and goldsmith of the city. Many other things were found in the bundle, and the man was charged with being a thief.

THE COCAINE CASE.

At the Magistracy today before Mr. Hazelton the case was continued in which a Chinese was charged with being in the unlawful possession of 1,000 ounces of cocaine, which were concealed in bags of old waste paper.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown

SOME CAUSES AND THEIR REMEDY.

As shown by correspondence which has recently appeared in our columns considerable dissatisfaction exists among the Hongkong public at the present system of delivery of mail from incoming steamers, which often gives rise to lengthy and annoying delays. In view of the importance of the matter to the general public a "China Mail" representative made a series of inquiries this morning which reveal a state of affairs which the Government would be well advised to inquire into.

The Chinese Government has notified all the Foreign Legations that henceforward the Minister of Finance alone is empowered to negotiate Foreign Loans.

Mr. Gardner, solicitor, defended.

The evidence for the prosecution was that the defendants were on top of a tram and when near Sincere's, some eggs fell near a platter thrown from the top of the tram. There was also a loud report of a pistol shot.

In reply to the charge the first defendant made a statement to the effect that he did throw an egg, but did not fire a pistol.

Under the terms of a special Ordinance captains of mail steamers are supposed immediately on arrival in the harbour and even before reporting to the Harbour Office to "deliver to the Post Office all letters, bags and correspondence on board except such as are exempt by law." In theory this provision should do away with all possibility of delay, but in practice it is found that the clause of the Ordinance is not always respected. Delays are not frequent, but when they do occur they are very annoying, and the public have a right to expect their letters promptly. Soon after the case cited by our correspondent as even more glaring one occurred, and we learn on good authority that proceedings are likely to be taken. This is the case we refrain from commenting upon.

The Post authorities seem to be very much in the hands of the Captains of the mail steamers. Reports of the arrivals of all ships, except those carrying the English Mail reach the Department through the Harbour Office, and in some cases steamers have been known to leave, without delivering strong boxes, on board, for coast ports taking the local mail bags with them.

The Postal authorities are undoubtedly greatly handicapped by having only one launch at their disposal for if the arrival of a mail from the south is simultaneous with the arrival of a boat bringing letters to the port, the system of signalling mail boats is also unsatisfactory.

The obvious remedy to the existing state of affairs is the collection by the Post Office of all incoming mail, and of course would necessitate the provision of several new launches, but if the present annoying delays were obviated the expense would be justified.

It is due to the Postal Department that the Hongkong public should facilitate the postal work as much as possible, and judging from what our representative learned this morning there are several ways in which they can assist.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1912.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

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THE WAR.

SERVIA PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE WITH AUSTRIA.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade wires the report that Servia is prepared to negotiate with Austria on the following terms—Servia to recognise the autonomy of Albania, to have a port on the Adriatic with which she can communicate freely but engaging not to transform it into a military port, to give Austria-Hungary preference as regards loans and public works, to grant her the most-favoured nation treatment, and to revise her tariff in favour of Austria-Hungary.

200 GREEKS FALL.

From details received from Aetos show it appears that the Turks were strongly entrenched, and were supported by 30 guns. Ascending the steep slopes in face of a fierce fire, 200 Greeks fell in a few minutes, but the attacking force pressed on undaunted. Fierce hand-to-hand fighting in the trenches followed, the Greeks captured seven heavy guns.

PARAMYTHIA OCCUPIED.

A message from Athens states that the Greeks on Saturday occupied Paramythia, to the south-east of Janina, after a desperate battle which lasted throughout the day.

TURKEY AND THE GREEK DELEGATES.

The Porte has telegraphed to the delegates in London cancelling their instructions not to meet the Greeks. The meeting of the Ambassadors was expected to begin yesterday.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)

JAPANESE CABINET CRISIS.

TOKYO, Dec. 16.

After the Marquis Matsukata had failed to form a Cabinet the elder Statesmen recommended Viscount Hoina, and Count Yamamoto successively to the Emperor. Both, however, declined office, and it is now believed that the task of forming a Ministry will devolve upon Prince Katsura. The names of the members selected will probably be announced to-morrow.

THE RUSSIAN BOYCOTT.

TOKYO, Dec. 16.

A Mukden telegram announces that the Peking Government has issued orders through the Governor suppressing the boycott of Russian merchandise. "At Hankow the boycott and strike are growing, in spite of Vice-President Li's proclamation.

MONGOLIAN AFFAIRS.

TOKYO, Dec. 16.

In view of the clause in the reply of the Chinese Government to Russia on the Mongolian question to the effect that China will never recognise Mongolia's right to self-government, Russia has renewed her protest.

KALGAN ATTACKED.

A Peking telegram to Tokyo announces that the Mongolian army has attacked Kalgan and is plundering the city.

ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE.

A Chinese junk master was charged at the Magistracy by Sergt. Thompson today with being in unlawful possession of 25 sticks of dynamite, which he is supposed to have been using for fishing purposes.

Defendant said he used the dynamite to frighten sharks.

Mr. Melbourne—Does dynamite frighten sharks?—Yes.

—And does it make your junk go faster?—Yes.

A fine of \$500 was imposed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. SOTTO AND HIS CASE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The Manila Daily Bulletin, which is strong in its editorial thunderbolts, and taking the Hongkong Government authorities to task because of their inaction to the second unsuccessful application for my extradition, solicited by the American Government of the Philippine Islands. It says—

"We would not be surprised in a few years to find quite a colony of Filipino convicts in Hongkong, if it becomes a confirmed rule that criminals from the Islands may feel secure of the protection of the authorities there."

"That's all rot! I am not a delinquent and the British authorities do not protect delinquents."

The best proof of this assertion, is that a few days before my first arrest, the Hongkong authorities granted the extradition of the counterfeiter, Genaro Hernandez (alias Miguel Reyes), who is now serving sentence in the Manila jail.

The two attempts on my extradition have been unsuccessful, simply, because the law as well as the treaty are in my favour.

Under English legislation, a case which has been already definitely decided cannot be revoked even by the King, and the abduction of a girl eighteen years old, with her own consent, does not constitute a crime.

This on the one hand, and, on the other, the treaty says—

"A fugitive criminal shall not be surrendered, if the offence in respect of which he is surrendered is of a political character, or, if he proves to the satisfaction of the Police Magistrate, or the Court, before whom he is brought on habeas corpus, or to the Secretary of State, that the requisition for his surrender has in fact been made with a view to try or punish him for an offence of a political character."

And it must not be forgotten that Sir Francis Pigott, formerly Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in his decision of the first case, said: "There can be no doubt that Sotto is a political offender. There can be no doubt that there is here a sufficient political atmosphere about his writing to make him a person obnoxious to the Philippine Government."

Therefore, the British authorities did nothing but follow the letter and spirit of the law.

The "Bullfinch" says that it "seems only a truancy on justice but in fact contains an element of disloyalty," and then adds—

"...we are led to presume that such application was not even considered."

It is evident from all this that the periodical loses sight of the fact that, in my first extradition case, I had been under custody for 29 days in the Victoria Gaol, and in the second case I have been detained for one day in the Police Station and 2 hours in the Victoria Gaol. The applications were so considered in the first case, Magistrate Irving granted my extradition to the Philippines.

But this decision, however, was annulled by my appeal to the Supreme Court of Hongkong. Perhaps the "Bullfinch" wants the Governor of Hongkong to invite Governor-General Forbes of the Philippine Islands, who, on a certain occasion, and on the mere requisition of the Chinese Consul in Manila, ordered the deportation of several Chinese without due process of law. An English government official can never be expected to commit such a high-handed act. Under the English flag, individual rights are guaranteed better than elsewhere.

I omit to end this letter without quoting the following paragraph which I have just read in the "Manila Times"—

"In Democracy comments editorially on the assertion made by the 'Daily Bulletin' to the effect that inasmuch as the extradition of Vicente Sotto has failed a second time at Hongkong, that city will henceforth be the place of refuge of the criminals from the Philippines. The writer says that the Hongkong authorities have probably already thought of all this, but that they most likely remembered that the extradition of Vicente Sotto was not eagerly sought by the insular government until he commenced to edit the paper 'The Philippine Republic,' in which he constantly and vigorously attacked the officials of the administration here, both Americans and high Filipinos. The Hongkong authorities, says the writer, saw that it was a political maneuver, a move taken not because he was desired on account of the crime that he had committed, but in order, also, that his paper might be silenced and, so, quite properly, his extradition was not ordered."

Yours truly,

VICENTE SOTTO,

Editor, "The Philippine Republic."

Hongkong, Dec. 17, 1912.

[Note.—From the above, it will be seen that Mr. Sotto is quite jubilant at having once more escaped from an enforced visit to the Philippines. Our reason for publishing his letter is merely because we believe it contains statements of general interest, and not because we, in any way, wish to indicate sympathy with him in his quixotic campaign against the Americans in the Philippines.—Ed. O.M.]

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SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE CONCERT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

There was added attraction to the usually bright concert at the Seamen's Institute last night, owing to the visit of His Excellency the Governor appearing on the programme.

There was a very large audience, and the entertainment was one of the best seen at the Institute for some time past.

The recitation of Sir Henry May was a stirring tale of the Irish rising of '16, and it elicited hearty applause. A feature of the programme was the rendering of some admirable selections by the band of the P. M. A. Manchuria. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, R.C.O., gave an excerpt from Jerome, and gave a very amusing sketch on the modern stage hero. Mr. Jones sang "The Robin" and "I cannot help but love thee" in his customary fine manner, whilst Mrs. Webb achieved considerable success in her songs at the piano. Mr. Bell sang "Come back to Erin" pleasantly, but surely this is hardly a "chorus song" in the generally accepted sense of the term. Miss Lockhart's violin solo—a dance from the "Nell Gwyn" suite—was deservedly encored, whilst Mrs. Turnbull gave a finished piano solo. Mr. West supplied the comic element with his usual ability, and others who contributed to the programme included Mr. C. J. Higginbotham, Mrs. Platt, Mrs. Bowick, Miss Lander, and Miss White. Mrs. Cousins was the accompanist.

At the conclusion of the entertainment the Bishop of Victoria returned thanks to the artists who had contributed to the programme, and specially thanked His Excellency for his recitation. His Lordship will remember the brilliant speech made by the Governor in opening the hall, and his presence there that night demonstrated his continued interest in the Missions to Seamen. (Applause). They had also to thank those ladies and gentlemen who had assisted at the entertainment, and also the band of the "Manchuria." In conclusion the Bishop announced that the Rev. Mr. Reynolds who had been appointed chaplain in his way out, and he was sure that under his guidance the mission would go forward and prosper.

Cheers were given for the Governor, Lady May and the Misses May as they left the hall.

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SPORTING.

Football.

UNITED SERVICE FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

There is no material change in the League table, H.M.S. Kent still retaining the lead. The next positions in the table.

The following is the table to date:

Goals.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts

H.M.S. Kent 6 5 1 2 10 8 11

88 Coy. R.G.A. 4 3 1 1 10 2 5

87 Coy. R.G.A. 4 2 1 7 5 5

H.M.S. Minotaur. 4 1 2 0 9 7 3

2.O.Y.L.I. (A) 4 1 0 3 8 6 2

2.O.Y.L.I. (B) 1 0 0 0 9 1 0

H.M.S. Defence. 2 0 0 2 2 10 0

Royal Engineers. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

To-morrow H.M.S. Kent meet the R.E. at Happy Valley. Referee, Mr. G. Fuller, R.G.A.

87 Coy. R.G.A. v. H.M.S. Minotaur.

These team met in a United Service League match on the Naval ground yesterday.

The gunners kicked off, but Small

intercepted the ball and after a passing

run with Stevenson which took the ball right through the gunners' defense, Small

gave Marsh no chance of saving his shot,

giving the sailors the lead within a minute of the start. Midfield play ensued but the

gunners later assumed the aggressive, good

play by Richards putting Clarke in pos-

sition and after Kars had punched out

his centre, Jacobs recurred and shot into the net, equalising the scores.

Restarting the sailors pressed, Small

and Stevenson being much in the pic-

ture. Small shot behind, after which

Marsh just managed to save. Westbrook

chipped with two timely clearances.

Hand against Burbridge took play to the

salvo end where Lumley cleared Dallman's

centre and at the other end Marsh had to

sue from Burbridge. Play was end to

Clarke for the gunners ran half the

length of the field only to shoot past with

the only goalie to beat. The gunners

continued to press. Clarke again broke

through and was pulled near goal by

Lane, a loud appeal for a penalty being

ignored by the Referee. At the interval

the score was 8th Coy. R.G.A. 1, H.M.S.

S. Minotaur 1.

On resuming, the gunners took up the

running. Richards and Clarke being pro-

minent. From a centre by the latter

Wilkes was aside, and Richards' next shot

ended in shooting a "long" and a shot from

Stevenson bounced awkwardly in front of

the gunners' goalie who just managed to

push it away. Burbridge returned to the

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GIMALAYA 7000	Feb. 15	MOREA 11000	Mar. 15	Mar. 21
DEVANHA 8000	March 1	MARMORA 12500	Mar. 20	April 4
DELTA 8000	Mar. 15	MEDINA 12500	April 12	May 2
INDIA 8000	April 12	Through Steamer	April 28	May 10
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SEALY 7000	March 5	April 6	April 16
MANOUR 7000	March 19	April 20	April 30
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S.S. ALTMARK 27th Dec.	S.S. ALEXIA 24th Dec.	SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, PRINZ LUDWIG.	(18,300)	THURSDAY, 26th Dec., at 9 a.m.
S.S. SILESIA 1st Jan.	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg	MANILA, YAP, MARCOP, PRINZ WILHELM, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	(6,100)	SATURDAY, 28th Dec., at 9 a.m.
S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS 26th Jan.	For Havre & Hamburg	KOBE & YOKOHAMA	(6,750)	TUESDAY, 7th Jan., at 9 a.m.
S.S. SUEVIA 10th Feb.	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg	COBLENZ, BORNEO, KUDAT AND SANDAKAN	(2,500)	ABOUT MIDDLE OF JANUARY.

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ARRIVALS FROM CHINA.

December 13, P. E. Frickel, *Kiano* *Mari*.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The M. M. Co.'s *Amazon*, with the French Mail, left Saigon on Sunday, the 10th December, at 6.30 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on Wednesday, the 13th December, at daylight.The P. O. & N. Co.'s *Delta*, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 14th December, at 6 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on Friday, the 20th December, at 6 a.m.The *Delta* is expected during the Parcel Mail service in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 15th December, and for despatch overland on the 20th December.The P. M. S. S. Co.'s *Mongolia* with the American Mail, left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Japan Ports and Manila on Saturday, the 30th Nov.

Other Vessels.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s *Uzada* is due to arrive here from Singapore on the 17th December.The L. C. S. N. Co.'s *Asia*, *Kumang* left Calcutta for Straits and Hongkong on the 1st December, due Hongkong on the 17th December.The N. Y. K. s.s. *Mishima Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 12th December, and is expected here on the 18th December.The N. Y. K. s.s. *Rangoon Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 12th December, and is expected here on the 18th December.The Pen Line steamer *Perseverance* from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 12th December for this port.The B. I. S. N. Co.'s *Asia* left Singapore on the 15th December, and is due to be expected here on the 18th December.The O. S. K. s.s. *Tsukoma Maru* from Tacoma arrived at Manila on 10th Dec., and will leave again for this port on 11th Dec., and is due here on or about 12th Dec., a.m.The India Line Ltd.'s *Indramaya* due to arrive here from New York on the 23rd December.The A. S. S. Co.'s *Aspasia* passed the Suez Canal on the 3rd December, and is due here on or about the 13th Dec.The D. I. s.s. *Collier* left Sydney on Sunday, the 14th December, at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 15th January.

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

MONDAY.

the 23rd December, 1912, commencing at 11 a.m., at his Sales Rooms No. 4,

DUDDELL STREET.—

A LARGE QUANTITY OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN BOOTS AND SHOES (BLACK AND TAN), Fancy and Tennis Shirts and Suit Lengths, etc., etc., etc.

TUESDAY.

A SMALL AMOUNT OF SWATOW DRAWN WORK, comprising—

Bedspreads, Cushion Covers, Tray and Sideboard Cloths, Toilet Covers, Grass-Cloth and Silk Draw Lengths, Blouses, Mandarin Coats, etc., etc., etc.

On view from the day of sale.

TELEGRAMS.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 17, 1912. 1581

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

MONDAY.

the 23rd December, 1912, commencing at 3 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The following:

VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, viz.:

Lot 1.—HOUSE No. 2, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION A OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1044 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.72.

Lot 2.—HOUSE No. 3, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION B OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1000 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.24.

Lot 3.—HOUSE No. 4, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION C OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1020 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.44.

Lot 4.—HOUSE No. 5, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION D OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1005 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.24.

Lot 5.—HOUSE No. 6, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION E OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1003 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.24.

Lot 6.—HOUSE No. 7, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION F OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1005 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.24.

Lot 7.—HOUSE No. 8, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION G OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1008 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.34.

Lot 8.—HOUSE No. 9, GAP ROAD MORRISON HILL on SECTION H OF INLAND LOT No. 1378. Area 1005 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.24.

Lot 9.—HOUSE No. 370, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION ONE OF SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 917 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.90.

All the premises comprised in the above Lots Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive are held for the residue of a term of 75 years from the 1st December, 1900, (renewable for a further term of 75 years at a rent to be fixed by His Majesty's Surveyor).

Lot 8.—HOUSE No. 68, CAINE ROAD on SUB-SECTION ONE of SECTION D of INLAND LOT No. 622 held for the residue of a term of 99 years from the 1st September, 1857. Area 2658 square feet. Crown Rent \$5.63.

Lot 9.—HOUSE No. 370, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION ONE of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 917 square feet. Crown Rent \$17.90.

All the premises comprised in the above Lots Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive are held for the residue of a term of 75 years from the 1st December, 1900, (renewable for a further term of 75 years at a rent to be fixed by His Majesty's Surveyor).

Lot 10.—HOUSE No. 972, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION TWO of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 892 square feet. Crown Rent \$11.78.

Lot 11.—HOUSE No. 374, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION THREE of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 840 square feet. Crown Rent \$11.09.

Lot 12.—HOUSE No. 376, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION FOUR of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 825 square feet. Crown Rent \$10.88.

Lot 13.—HOUSE No. 378, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION FIVE of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 836 square feet. Crown Rent \$11.04.

Lot 14.—HOUSE No. 380, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION SIX of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 831 square feet. Crown Rent \$10.97.

Lot 15.—HOUSE No. 382, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST on SUBSECTION SEVEN of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 801. Area 836 square feet. Crown Rent \$11.62.

All the premises comprised in the above Lots Nos. 9 to 15 inclusive are held for the residue of a term of 99 years from the 30th June, 1862.

70% of the purchase money can remain in mortgage to the Vendor at 7 1/2 per annum.

For particular and conditions of sale apply to

MESSRS DENNYS & BOWLEY,

2, Connaught Road Central,

Solicitors for the Vendor;

or to

MR GEO. P. LAMMERT,

The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 17, 1912. 1580

HONGKONG REGISTER.

I review

On 4 p.m. at 4 p.m. at 5 p.m.

At 4 p.m.

Barometer ... 50.07 50.05 29.90

Temperature ... 65 62 64

Humidity ... 72 68 87

Direction of Wind ... N N

Force ... 4 3 4

Weather ... ○ ○ ○

Rain ... 0.03 —

TO-JAY'S Advertisements

THEATRE ROYAL.

THREE NIGHTS ONLY.

THE ORIENTAL THEATRICAL CO. OF MANILA, P.I., PRESENTS

FERRIS HARTMAN, AND HIS TALENTED CO. INCLUDING MRS. MUGGINS DAVIES AND WALTER DE LEON.

FRIDAY, December 27th:

The latest Comedy Success

A TRIP ABROAD.

SATURDAY, December 28th:

Walter De Leon's Great Success

THE GIRL AND THE BOY.

MONDAY, December 30th:

For the first time in Hongkong,

The Great Success

DREAM CITY.

Curtain at 9.15 p.m. sharp.

PRICES: D. Circle \$3.50, O. Stalls \$3.00,

Stalls \$2.00, Pit \$2.00, Gallery \$1.00.

Late Call to the Peak.

Booking at MOUTRIES.

Hongkong, December 17, 1912. 1579

EGZEMA ON WRIST AND RIGHT ARM

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Swollen and Inflamed to Shoulder, Dry, Crusty Scales. Could Not Sleep for the Itch. Used Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Now Cured.

The Cuticura Remedies I can strongly recommend to any person suffering from eczema. I can tell you I got relief the first time I used the Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment they gave me relief. I could not get to sleep for the itch in my arm. Then the blisters broke and the moisture got into my clothes. I washed it out. I often saw the Cuticura Remedies advertised so I resolved to try them and see if it did any good. I asked him if I would require a receipt and he said No. I used it and it did not do any good. I then used the Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and it worked. I am all swollen and inflamed up to my shoulder. I could hardly wash off. It was raw red flesh underneath, but in about a week's time you saw it disappear.

It is all nice and strong and I can work in as much water as I need. It does not irritate the skin. I can recommend anybody suffering with it to try them. (Signed) Miss M. Muggins Davies, Walter De Leon, M. D., 10, Queen's Road, Calcutta, India.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold throughout the world. A liberal sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment can be had free of charge from F. Newbery & Sons, 27, Charterhouse St., London, E.C. Tel. 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 20